Dillon Interagency Dispatch Center

Covering the following counties:

Beaverhead

Jefferson (southern part)

Madison Silver Bow

Powell (southern part)

Deer Lodge Granite

Dillon, Montana

Cooperating Agencies:

USDI Bureau of Land Management

Montana Dept. of Natural Resources & Conservation

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

National Park Service

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

U.S. Bureau of Reclamation

Beaverhead County, Madison County

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FIRE RESTRICTIONS EASED IN GRANITE, DEER LODGE, POWELL, AND SILVER BOW **COUNTIES**

DILLON, MONT., Sept. 14, 2006—Starting on September 15, "Stage 1" fire restrictions will be in effect throughout the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest and in all federal, state and private forested lands in Granite, Powell, Deer Lodge, Silver Bow, Jefferson, Madison, and Beaverhead counties.

The restrictions prohibit campfires outside of developed recreation sites and limit smoking to developed recreation sites, vehicles, buildings, and cleared areas.

Previously, lands in Granite, Powell, Deer Lodge, and Silver Bow were under more restrictive "Stage 2" restrictions that prohibited campfires anywhere and limited the time for the use of internal combustion engines such as chain saws.

For more information go to http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/b-d/conditions/.

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